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PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Appl. No.: 09/834,573

Applicants: Robert T. BAUM, et al.

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Title: **SIMPLE PEERING IN A TRANSPORT NETWORK EMPLOYING NOVEL EDGE
DEVICES**

TC/A.U.: 2616

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed on May 1, 2007 (Paper No. 20070312), which set a period for response to expire on August 1, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.